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January 31, 1979

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Mr. J. H. Taylor Manager of Licensing Babcock and Wilcox P. O. Box 1260 Lynchburg, VA 24505

Dear Sir:

As discussed with Mr. Ray Luken of your office on January 31, 1979, I am performing an investigation regarding the evaluation of loss of pressurizer level indication at the Davis-Besse facility.

As a part of this investigation, I inquired as to whether there had been any similar events at B&W plants previous to the Davis-Besse event. Mr. Luken advised that B&W policy does not allow discussion of such information without notification of the respective customer(s) involved, and asked that we send a written request. Partially to accommodate this policy, we have re-scheduled our visit to your Lynchburg facility for February 14, 1979, so that notification of your customer(s) of my inquiry can be accomplished.

The information I request to be made available is as follows:

- 1. What previous experiences of loss of pressurizer level have occurred?
- 2. The name of the involved utility for these events.
- 3. The facility where the event(s) were experienced.
- 4. The dates of occurrence.
- 5. Whether the NRC was informed of the event.
- 6. What evaluation of the event was performed?

January 31, 1979 James F. Foster

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This information will be of assistance to me during my investigation. If you have any questions or comments concerning this request, please feel free to contact me at (312)858-2660.

Sincerely,

James E. Foster

Investigation Specialist